Kindly amend the claims of the subject application as follows:

- 1 (Currently Amended) A container blank for a truncated cone shaped sidewall portion of a disposable thermally insulated paper cup, comprising:
- (a) at least one substrate layer made of disposable material; and
- (b) at least one film layer disposed substantially over said at least one substrate layer and having at least one portion adapted to shrink away from said at least one substrate layer upon application of heat, said shrunk film layer portion being adapted to thermally insulate the substrate layer located substantially behind said shrunk film layer portion.
- 2. (Cancelled)
- 3. (Currently Amended) A container blank <u>for a truncated cone shaped</u> <u>sidewall portion of a disposable thermally insulated paper cup</u>, comprising:
- (a) at least one substrate layer made of disposable material; and
- (b) at least one film layer connected to said at least one substrate layer and having at least one portion adapted to shrink away from said at least one substrate layer upon application of heat, said shrunk film layer portion being adapted to thermally insulate the substrate layer located substantially behind said shrunk film layer portion.
- 4. (Cancelled)
- 5. (Currently Amended) A container blank <u>for a truncated cone shaped</u> <u>sidewall portion of a disposable thermally insulated paper cup</u>, comprising:
- (a) at least one substrate layer made of disposable material; and
- (b) at least one film layer operatively coupled to said at least one substrate layer and having at least one portion adapted to shrink away from said at least one substrate layer upon application of heat, said shrunk film layer portion being adapted to thermally insulate the substrate layer located substantially behind said shrunk film layer portion.

- 6. (Cancelled)
- 7. (Currently Amended) A container blank <u>for a truncated cone shaped</u> <u>sidewall portion of a disposable thermally insulated paper cup</u>, comprising:
- (a) at least one substrate layer made of disposable material; and
- (b) at least one shrink film layer disposed substantially over said at least one substrate layer and adapted to thermally insulate at least one portion of said at least one substrate layer.
- 8. (Currently Amended) A container blank <u>for a truncated cone shaped</u> <u>sidewall portion of a disposable thermally insulated paper cup</u>, comprising:
- (a) at least one substrate layer made of disposable material; and
- (b) at least one shrink film layer connected to said at least one substrate layer and adapted to thermally insulate at least one portion of said at least one substrate layer.
- 9. (Currently Amended) A container blank for a truncated cone shaped sidewall portion of a disposable thermally insulated paper cup, comprising:
- (a) at least one substrate layer made of disposable material; and
- (b) at least one shrink film layer operatively coupled to said at least one substrate layer for thermally insulating at least one portion of said at least one substrate layer.
- 10. (Currently Amended) A container blank for a truncated cone shaped sidewall portion of a disposable thermally insulated paper cup, comprising:
- (a) at least one substrate layer made of disposable material; and
- (b) at least one shrink film layer operatively coupled to said at least one substrate layer.
- 11. (Currently Amended) A container blank for a truncated cone shaped sidewall portion of a disposable thermally insulated paper cup, comprising:
- (a) at least one substrate layer made of disposable material; and
- (b) at least one shrink film layer disposed substantially over said at least one substrate layer.